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1. There is an airfield in the Soviet city of Bryansk where Volkspolizei and members of the Czech Army are trained with airplanes of modern type. The first six Volkspolizei returned from there in the middle of Sep 53. They report that the city has been completely rebuilt, and the Tologogo quarter has been built up with barracks. There are several large factories in the city itself, which are strongly guarded. Apparently there is an airplane engine works, because jet engines needing repair were repaired on the spot by Soviet civilians.
2. The airfield runway is 3,200 meters long and about 35 to 40 meters wide. Altogether 53 airplanes are stationed at the field, including 12 training planes of the Yakovlev type. There are several MIG 15 planes with radar cabins and a few tailless planes with delta wings, supposedly Yaks. The other planes are four-engined machines that are covered with a very peculiar coating with a rubber-like smell.
3. The quartering of the Volkspolizei and the Czechs was done under special regulations. Two foreigners were always quartered with two Soviets. Going into the city itself was not permitted.
4. About 600 men were stationed at the airfield. There is a radar installation on top of a concrete tower about 32 meters high. The antenna installation is about five meters in diameter. It is a parabolic antenna.
5. The Volkspolizei did not return directly from the SU, but were first taken to Pyrzyce, in Poland. Here they met Volkspolizei who had undergone checking here for the SU. The stay in Poland lasted six weeks. At the present time the returned Volkspolizei are at Pirna.

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